(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per details given in the Statement.

(c) and (d) The Supreme Court has directed to prepare a revised list of those persons who would face eviction within a period of two months, i.e. by 23.2.1997, and to issue notices thereafter, within a period of 30 days. The revised list has since been prepared and the notices are to be issued within the stipulated period.

Statement

MAIN FEATURES OF SUPREME COURT ORDER DATED 23.12.1996 IN WRIT PETITION (CIVIL NO.585/94) REGARDING EVICTION OF OUT-OF-TURN ALLOTTEES.

The Supreme Court of India in its Judgement dated 23.12.1996 has directed that all out-of-turn allottees of type III and above accommodation except those whose names were included erroneously, who were given change of accommodation in the same type, and those who were given allotment on medical ground within existing policy, would face eviction, in case their date of priority have not been covered for in-turn allotment by the date(s) the two reports of Gupta Committee (constituted by the Supreme Court) were submitted. Further all the allottees whose date of priority are not covered by 5.2.1997 i.e. 6 weeks from the date of judgement, shall face eviction. The Court has further directed that :-

(i) The Government shall get the medical cases, where out-of-turn allotment was made outside the existing policy, examined by a high powered medical board within two months, with a view to ascertain whether such out-of-turn allotment were justified on medical ground or not.

(ii) The out-of-turn allottees would pay twice the licence fee in respect of type III quarters and three times the licence fee in respect of type IV and above accommodation.

(iii) The out-of-turn allottees who are likely to retire by 26.9.1997 (30.9.1997) would be allowed to retain the accommodation subject to payment of enhanced licence fee as applicable.

(iv) The out-of-turn allottees entitled to lower type of accommodation on in-turn basis or if they were previously occupying any accommodation of lower type, will be allotted alternate accommodation provided enhanced licence fee is deposited within a period of two months.

(v) The officers of All India service who are occupying general pool quarters, despite being eligible to the quarters in tenure pool, though not actually allotted, would be evicted.

2. A new list would be drawn in terms of the Court order within two months, i.e. by 23.2.1997, and allottees liable to be evicted shall be served individual notices within 30 days, thereafter requiring them to vacate the premises within 90 days of the notice.

[Translation]

Shortage of LPG

694. SHRI D.P. YADAV
SHRI N.S.V. CHITTHAN
SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV
PROF. RITA VERMA

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of LPG cylinders in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to launch new schemes to cover more rural areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken to remove current shortage of LPG cylinders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) to (e) There was some shortage of LPG reported from various parts of the Country in the recent past owing to the reduced LPG availability from the indigenous sources on account of Planned/Unplanned shutdown of refineries, coupled with operational constraints/IR problems at some of the bottling plants resulting in LPG backlogs from the middle of Sept.,96.

The LPG supply position has normalised in December, 96 and as of now, no LPG backlog is reported by the Oil Companies in the Country, except for Marginal backlog in the State of Maharashtra.

As per the earlier policy, only towns of 20,000 and above urban population and offering commercial viability, were considered for setting up of LPG distributorships. However, as per latest policy of the Government, LPG marketing is also being extended to rural areas contiguous with Urban areas and offering adequate potential for commercially viable distributorships.

Registration of Rural Unemployed Persons

695. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI
SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government propose to register the unemployed persons of rural areas;

(b) whether the total number of trained, untrained, educated and uneducated persons of rural areas have been identified being identified;

(c) if so the details thereof, State-wise and category-wise;

(d) whether the role of voluntary organisations has been decided/is being decided in the programme; and

(e) whether the role of financial institutions has also been decided in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) As per the Ministry of Labour's existing procedure, job-seekers belonging to rural areas are also registered with the Employment Exchanges. Out of a total number of 374.3 lakh job-seekers all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges as on 31.12.1996, 207.9 lakh job-seekers belong to rural areas. Under Employment Assurance Scheme, which is a demand driven programme, unemployed persons in rural areas who are seeking for work can also register their demand with local Gram Panchayat for employment.

(b) and (c) *State-wise information showing the number of educated (matric and above) and uneducated (below matric including illiterate) job seekers who were on the live register of Employment Exchanges as on 31.12.1993 (latest available) is given in the Statement attached. No separate information for trained and untrained is maintained by the Ministry of Labour, Govt. of India.*

(d) and (e) Non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and financial institutions like commercial banks are involved in wage employment and self-employment programmes being implemented by the Ministry within the framework of relevant guidelines laid down by the Ministry from time to time.

Statement

Statement showing No.of applicants on the Live Register of Employment Exchange as on 31.12.1993 & No. of persons registered under EAS till December, 1996.

(In Thousands)

S. No.	States/UT	Educated (Matric and above)*	Un Educated (Below Matric Incl. illiterates)*	No. of Person Reg. under EAS since beginning As on Dec. 96
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	2035.7	960.9	672.00
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.3	7.5	127.05
3.	Assam	799.3	577.7	295.86
4.	Bihar	2252.3	1087.0	3996.96
5.	Goa	85.4	30.9	
6.	Gujarat	633.1	340.5	582.00
7.	Haryana	436.9	239.4	268.51
8.	Himachal Pradesh	341.7	141.1	33.99
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	60.9	76.9	919.80
10.	Karnataka	1004.0	671.5	2257.90
11.	Kerala	2604.0	1567.0	224.00
12.	Madhya Pradesh	1442.4	497.2	2158.39
13.	Maharashtra	2300.0	1049.3	542.63
14.	Manipur	155.2	74.6	100.65
15.	Meghalaya	12.6	15.0	42.29
16.	Mizoram	16.9	23.0	106.57
17.	Nagaland	12.1	8.5	417.19
18.	Orissa	532.4	325.4	2716.00
19.	Punjab	431.9	213.9	-
20.	Rajasthan	525.7	303.0	1063.68
21.	Sikkim	*	*	43.30
22.	Tamil Nadu	2355.2	1504.8	556.60
23.	Tripura	58.3	130.9	334.70
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1679.5	700.1	1200.00
25.	West Bengal	2963.4	1851.7	4841.00
26.	A & N. Island	8.6	10.2	0.89
27.	Chandigarh	90.7	71.0	-
28.	D & N. Haveli	1.2	2.3	1.68
29.	Delhi	695.4	212.7	-
30.	Daman & Diu	1.3	1.7	0.18
31.	Lakshadweep	1.7	6.3	2.97
32.	Pondicharry	78.7	56.7	-

* 1. No Employment Exchange is functioning in this state.
2. Figures may not add up to total due to rounding off.
3. All the jobs-seekers on the live register of Employment Exchanges are not necessarily unemployed.

[English]

Power on Concessional Rates

696. SHRI K.S. RAYADU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether supply of power on concessional rates to 25 industries was withdrawn as reported in the pioneer dated January 15, 1997;

(b) if so, the reasons for restoring the subsidised power supply with retrospective effect;

(c) the total loss suffered by the State Electricity Boards on this account; and